City of Gainesville

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

August 10, 2020 10:00 AM

City Commission Meeting

Virtual Teleconference Meeting

City Commission

Mayor Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Reina Saco (At Large)
Commissioner Gail Johnson (At Large)
Commissioner Gigi Simmons (District 1)
Commissioner Harvey Ward (District 2)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem David Arreola (District 3)
Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos (District 4)

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CALL TO ORDER - 10:00 AM

AGENDA STATEMENT

ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, Commissioner Saco, Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by Commissioner Saco, that this Matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Hayes-Santos, Mayor Poe, and Commissioner Saco

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Ward, and Mayor-Commissioner Pro Tem Arreola

BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS

200136. Gainesville Police Department Follow Up Discussion (B)

Commissioner Ward arrived at 10:03 AM.

Commissioner Arreola arrived at 11:15 AM.

Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos: 1) Endorse the proposed GPD changes that were presented; 2) Request the City Attorney's office to bring back more information on a city prosecutor's office and look at that as part of the city citation deflection program; 3) Direct staff to create a policy to restrict the purchase of certain military surplus supplies, specifically weaponry and vehicles; 4) Ask staff to look at renaming the police service technician program to a more community-oriented name; and 5) Have staff look at the SRO uniforms and look at ways they could be more friendly. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion by Commissioner Hayes-Santos, seconded by
Mayor-Commissioner Pro-Tem Arreola: 1) Endorse proposed GPD
changes as presented; 2) Ask City Attorney to bring back a proposal for
a city prosecutor's office as part of the adult civil citation program; 3)
Give direction to the City Manager on putting in place the restrictions of
the purchase of military surplus, specifically weaponry, and vehicles; 4)

Would like a memo from the City Manager/Chief Jones on decision to keep Reichert House structure as is; and 5) Bring back monthly reports on arrests. Motion passed 6-0. Commissioner Simmons absent.

Lee Feldman gave an introduction.

Tony Jones, GPD Police Chief gave a presentation.

Lonnie Scott, Assistant Police Chief gave a presentation.

Jorge Campos, Police Chief Inspector gave a presentation.

Beverly Craig, James Von Hollow, Pablo Arango, Iris Lopez, Dr. Barbara Henry, Liz, Danielle Durst, Savannah Griffins, Ronna Jackson, and Nathan Skop spoke to the matter..

Recess - 12:10 PM

Reconvene - 12:15 PM

Kali Blount, Ian Pfingsten, Josephine Smith, Liz Kay, Alfredo Morales, Demetri, Elizabeth Pratt, Patrice Kathly, Alice Laymen, Kareem, Danny Castro, Jen Castro, Karen Alford, Ertha Wright, Wallace, Martha McCollough, Deeondre Smith, Kevin Camps, Kevin Van Norwick, Nevia Brown Jr., Kim, Edward Vincent, Akin Ross, Ms. Thomas, Reginald Lewis, Eileen Abraham, Walter Oliver, Bailey Williams, Stephanie Lane, T. Phillips, Margaret Harris, Michael Shuler and Dwayne spoke to the matter.

Mayor Poe left the meeting at 1:58 PM.

Mayor Poe returned at 2:05 PM

Commissioner Simmons left the meeting at 2:00 PM.

RECOMMENDATION

As requested by the City Commission on July 13, 2020 to hear a presentation on topics addressed.

ADJOURNMENT - 2:15 PM